

**TOWN OF SOMERS
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, March 10, 2016
4:00pm
Selectmen's Conference Room**

Call to Order: First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

Members Present: ~~Members Present:~~ First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini, and Selectmen Kathy Devlin and Bud Knorr. Also in attendance CFO Michael Marinaccio and Senior Accountant Brian Wissinger.

Pledge of Allegiance: All present participated in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2016 – 2017 Budget:

CFO Mike Marinaccio presented the proposed 2016/2017 Budget overview and summary to the Board of Selectmen.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the proposed FY2016/2017 Town Government Budget in the amount \$7,410,849, which represents a zero increase from last year, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the proposed FY2016/2017 Debt Service Budget in the amount of \$1,720,333, which includes a 6.11% increase of \$99,005 from last year, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the proposed FY2016/2017 Capital Improvement Budget in the amount of \$250,000, which includes a 25% increase of \$50,000 from last year, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

2015 – 2016 Budget Update:

The Board reviewed and discussed the current status of the 2015/2016 Budget.

Boards and Commissions – Resignations and Appointments:

Appointments:

Ms. Pellegrini made a recommendation to appoint Ms. Eileen Fedorowich to the Housing Authority.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to appoint Ms. Eileen Fedorowich to the Housing Authority with a term expiring on 12.22.2017, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

VOIP Project – Genie Innovations Contract: Ms. Pellegrini requested authorization to sign the contract with Genie Innovations for the Installation of the Voice over IP (VOIP) phones system in conjunction with the Nutmeg Network Demonstration Project Grant.

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve First Selectman Lisa Pellegrini to sign the contract with Genie Innovations for the VOIP Phones, in conjunction with the Nutmeg Network Demonstration Project Grant, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Brownfields Remediation Grant:

Ms. Pellegrini shared with the Selectmen that DEEP is reviewing the Municipal Liability Relief Program Application the Town submitted on February 25th. It will take a few weeks for it to be signed off. Final contracts are also being reviewed with the DECD.

Authorizations of Scheduled Payments:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to approve the authorization of scheduled payments in the amount of \$282,203, seconded by Mr. Knorr. A unanimous vote followed.

Adjournment:

Mrs. Devlin made a motion to adjourn the Board of Selectmen meeting at 5:00pm, seconded by Ms. Pellegrini. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kim LaFleur-Recording

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